

# City of Scottsdale Parks & Recreation Division Adult Indoor Volleyball League Rules

**ATTENTION:** Team captains or co-captains are responsible for informing all team members of the contents of this manual.

#### **ROSTERS**

- 1. All players in the league must be at least 18 years of age prior to the first game and may play for one team only. Managers should check player's eligibility before adding the player to their roster. Teams using players on duplicate rosters may forfeit all games in which the duplicate player(s) participated.
- 2. Rosters are limited to 12 players, first and second place individual awards (t-shirts) will be given to only 10 players. It is the Captains responsibility to contact the Adult Sports office with the sizes of the 10 players and to pick up the t-shirts. Failure to contact the Adult Sports staff and or pick up the awards prior to the start of the next season may result in forfeiture of awards.
- 3. Roster changes will be accepted until 5pm on the Friday of the 3rd week of scheduled play. Roster changes may only be made by the team manager to the Site Supervisor or Adult Sports Office.

Violation of the above rules may result in player's suspension and/or game forfeiture.

#### CITY OF SCOTTSDALE PARTICIPANT BEHAVIOR POLICY

Any form of discrimination, abuse, and/or unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated. Unacceptable behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Any violation of federal or state law, or city ordinance.
- Deliberate or reckless disruption of any park activities or programs.
- Threatening or intimidating others through verbal abuse, profanity, obscene gestures, or other means
- Intentionally or recklessly damaging or defacing any park property or equipment, or personal property of others
- Fighting or other assaultive behavior.

#### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

A. RULES OF PLAY - The current USVA Rules apply to all league situations not covered in this handbook. We reserve the right to institute new rules or alter new rules as deemed necessary. The league does not provide referees. Any illegal hits, in accordance with USA Volleyball rules may be called by the players on the court. The site supervisor will make rule interpretations, but not call game violations. Disputes must be resolved in an orderly and sportsmanlike manner.

B. MATCH TIME- League play will be scheduled at 6:45 and 7:30 PM 8:15 PM and 9:00 PM. There will be five minutes allotted for warm-ups before each game (as needed). Team listed first in the schedule will serve. Unless otherwise stated by the league coordinator.

C. MATCH PLAY - League play matches will consist of playing 2 matches best 2 out of 3 games. The first two games are to 25 points (rally scoring) and the third game is to 15 points (rally scoring).

D. SCORING- All teams will keep their own score; server must call out score before serving. In rally scoring, points are awarded on each play, regardless which team serves,. A game is won by the team that has scored 25 (or 15) points and is at least 2 points ahead at 27(or17). Games will only be cut short due to time.

E. TIME LIMIT - A time limit of 45 minutes will be in effect for league play. If the third game is not completed by the end of 45 minutes, the team ahead in points at that time will be declared the winner. If the teams are tied at the time limit, the next point is the winner. There will be no time limit for matches in the post-season tournament.

F. TIME OUTS - Teams will be granted two 30-second time outs per match.

G. PLAYER (Co-Rec) REQUIREMENTS - A maximum of three males are allowed on the court at all times. Teams may play with a minimum of four players.

H. RETURN OF SERVICE - Serves may be returned by bump pass or set, as long as the set is clean with no violation or obvious lift. Each player must be within their own area during service. At service, all players (except the server) must be within court boundaries. A player may leave the court to play a ball; non-playable areas or player interference will be interpreted at the discretion of both teams involved.

I.NET RULE - Contact with the net by a player is not a fault, unless it interferes with the play.

J. SERVICE RETURN- A double hit (or various contacts) is allowed on the first hit when 1) receiving the serve, or 2) playing defense AS LONG AS CONTACTS HAPPEN DURING ONE ACTION.

K. SERVE- Let serves are allowed.

L. NET HEIGHT- Net height for women will be 7'4" Men's and Coed Height will be 8'

# **Post-Season Tournament Format**

- 1. The post-season tournaments will be played in a single elimination format.
- 2. During post-season tournament play, use of an illegal player results in a forfeit.
- 3. The league coordinator reserves discretion regarding the movement of teams to a different division for post-season tournaments.

#### COACH AND PLAYER CONDUCT

- 1. Obscene and abusive language, threats and other unsportsmanlike conduct are grounds for player ejection, suspension or game forfeiture. Further action may be taken as deemed appropriate by the League Coordinator. League Supervisors may forfeit a game for poor sportsmanship, foul language, or threats.
- 2. Player(s) physically assaulting another player, spectator, or league supervisor will be suspended for the remainder of the season and/or tournament. Further action may be taken if deemed necessary.
- 3. Player(s) ejected from a game for poor sportsmanship will be suspended for a minimum of one league game or tournament game. Further action may be taken if deemed necessary.
- 4. Player(s) ejected from a game may be asked to leave the gym. Failure to comply will result in game forfeiture and possible suspension.
- 5. Team captains will be responsible for conduct of their team members and fans, and will see that all players are familiar with the league rules guidelines.
- 6. Captains are responsible for controlling their players on or off the court.
- 7. Players noticeably under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be ejected from the game and gym. Violation of this rule may result in game forfeiture and player suspension.

# **FORFEITS**

- 1. Teams shall be allowed two 5-minute grace periods during the season (one per game). This time will be deducted from the scheduled game time. Teams will be allowed to play the game with 4 players
- 2. Three (3) forfeits may drop a team from the league and tournament play without a refund, and will be reviewed prior to acceptance for future seasons.
- 3. **Forfeit fees**: \$10.00/game (not per night) if the Adult Sports office is notified prior to the first scheduled game forfeit fees must be delivered to the Adult Sports office before the start of the next week's games.

# **Refund Procedure**

- 1. Teams may receive a full refund for registration fees paid until one week prior to the first day of league play. After this point, only partial refunds may be received, with money withheld by the City of Scottsdale for the following expenses:
  - a. The cost of all League or tournament games played or forfeited.
- b. Administrative costs for securing replacement teams, rescheduling, and notifying affected teams.
- 2. Should the Sports Staff have to cancel league or tournament games, refunds will be issued to teams for those games canceled. This does not include games forfeited for any reason.
- 3. Checks returned to the City of Scottsdale for insufficient funds will automatically suspend the appropriate team from league and tournament play until proper funds are secured.

# **PLAYER IDENTITY CHALLENGE**

Use of an illegal player may result in player suspension and/or forfeiture of that game. Prior to each game, the team managers may challenge the legality of any of the opposing team's starting player(s). Challenged players will be allowed 15 minutes into their game to

produce proper identification to the Site Supervisor. If, after this 15-minute period, proper I.D. has not been presented, the challenged player(s) will be declared illegal. The Sports Coordinator will determine Player eligibility. Challenging teams must register a protest stating the player(s) names and team. The game is played under protest, and ruling will be made based on the team's roster.

League officials may question players' legality at any time.

# **Falsification of Information**

The Adult Sports Staff will make spot checks of each roster, using the following guidelines:

- 1. Rosters of all teams accepted for play will be checked.
- 2. Random selection from various rosters will be verified.
- 3. Teams that submit falsified information will be dropped immediately.
- 4. Teams with incomplete roster information will be dropped first if team-limiting is in effect.

The Adult Sports Staff will follow up on all player challenges. If a player is determined to be illegal, or information is falsified, the player and team-captain will be suspended from play for at least the balance of the season.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 1. The Sports Coordinator has the authority to institute or change rules in order to maintain continuity within the leagues.
- 2. The Site Supervisor shall be responsible for all court activities, and has the authority to make any decisions that are necessary to maintain league order and continuity.
- 3. The City of Scottsdale carries no insurance for players participating in their leagues. PLAYERS PARTICIPATE AT THEIR OWN RISK.

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